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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On Page 1, please replace the second paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

This application is also related to a commonly-owned and concurrently filed application Serial No., ~~aa/AAA,AAA~~ 10/022,924 (now US Pub. No. 2002-0184378), entitled “Method and Apparatus for Printing Remote Images Using of a Network-Enabled Printer” (~~Docket No. 8521~~), which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

On Page 3, please replace the last paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

The techniques described in the above referenced application, “Method and Apparatus for Generating a Printing Remote Images Using of a Network-Enabled Printer” (~~Atty. Docket No. 8521~~), (application Serial No. 10/022,924, now US Pub. No. 2002-0184378), are used to download and print the digital data. As described in that application, the remote printer includes a network communications device, such as a modem. The connection between the printer and a remote server can, for example, be established via telephone lines by initiating a call from the printer to the server. The input data for the printer is then downloaded to the printer from the server.

On Page 12, please replace the second paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

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The input data for the printer is, then, transmitted to the printer 15 through a communications network 20 (step 180, Fig. 5A). The techniques for coupling the printer 15 to the communications network 20, downloading the input data to the printer 15 and using the printer 15 to generate a permanent record of the service are described in the above referenced commonly-owned and concurrently filed U. S. Patent Application Serial No., ~~aa/AAA,AAA~~, 10/022,924 (now US Pub. No. 2002-0184378), entitled “Method and Apparatus for Printing Remote Images Using of a Network-Enabled Printer” (~~Atty. Docket No.~~ 8521).

On Page 16, please replace the third paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

The input data for each printer is, then, transmitted to the specific printer 15 through a communications network 20 (step 180, Fig. 5B). Using the techniques for coupling the printer 15 to the communications network 20, downloading the input data to the printer 15 and using the printer 15 to generate an image, described in the above referenced commonly-owned and concurrently filed U. S. Patent Application Serial No., ~~aa/AAA,AAA~~, 10/022,924 (now US Pub. No. 2002-0184378), entitled “Method and Apparatus for Printing Remote Images Using of a Network-Enabled Printer” (~~Atty. Docket No.~~ 8521), a shared image is generated at the remote printer 15.

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On Page 16, please replace the fourth paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

As described in U. S. Patent Application Serial No.—aa/AAA,AAA
10/022,924 (now US Pub. No. 2002-0184378), entitled “Method and Apparatus for Printing Remote Images Using of a Network-Enabled Printer” (~~Docket No. 8521~~), the printing server 50 may initiate the connection to the remote printer 15 in any of a variety of ways. In one embodiment, the printing server 50 initiates a telephone call to the remote printer 15. In another embodiment, the user may press a “Print” button on the printer 15 to instruct the printer 15 to establish a connection to the printing server 50 and to download and print the input data for the printer. After initiating a connection to the printer 15, the printing server 50 transmits the input data for the printer to the printer 15 over the communications network 20 using an image printing protocol. Printer 15 then prints the ticket.

On page 17, please replace the third paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

The modem 41 and a network communications device, such as a modem, at the printer (as described in U. S. Patent Application Serial No.—aa/AAA,AAA, 10/022,924, now US Pub. No. 2002-0184378 ~~Docket No. 8521~~) provide means for

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enabling the transmission that provides the input data for the printer to the remote printer 15.

On page 20, please replace the second paragraph, with the following amended paragraph:

The input data for the printer is, then, transmitted to the printer 15 through a communications network 20 (step 180, Fig. 5 B). Using the techniques for coupling the printer 15 to the communications network 20, downloading the input data to the printer 15 and using the printer 15 to generate a ticket, described in the above referenced commonly-owned and concurrently filed U. S. Patent Application Serial No., ~~aa/AAA,AAA~~ 10/022,924 (now US Pub. No. 2002-0184378), entitled “Method and Apparatus for Printing Remote Images Using of a Network-Enabled Printer” (~~Atty. Docket No. 8521~~), a ticket is generated at the remote printer 15. One example of a ticket generated by the method described above is shown in Fig. 6.

On page 20, please replace the third paragraph, with the following amended paragraph:

As described in U. S. Patent Application Serial No., ~~aa/AAA,AAA~~, 10/022,924 (now US Pub. No. 2002-0184378), entitled “Method and Apparatus for Printing Remote Images Using of a Network-Enabled Printer” (~~Docket No. 8521~~), the printing server 50 may initiate the connection to the remote printer 15 in any of a variety of ways. In one embodiment, the printing server 50 initiates a telephone call

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to the remote printer 15. In another embodiment, the user may press a “Print” button on the printer 15 to instruct the printer 15 to establish a connection to the printing server 50 and to download and print the input data for the printer. After initiating a connection to the printer 15, the printing server 50 transmits the input data for the printer to the printer 15 over the communications network 20 using an image printing protocol. Printer 15 then prints the ticket.

On Page 21, please replace the second paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

The modem 41 and a network communications device, such as a modem, at the printer (as described in U. S. Patent Application Serial No.,~~aa/AAA,AAA~~
10/022,924, now US Pub. No. 2002-0184378 Document No. 8521) provide means for enabling the transmission that provides the input data for the printer to the remote printer 15.